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A METHOD OF THERMALLY-ASSISTED DATA RECORDING AND A
RECORDING APPARATUS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and
examination, please cancel claim 5.

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to delete all multiple
dependencies. Entry prior to calculating the filing fee
according to MPEP §506, is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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